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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 6, 1999 OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the October 6, 1999 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the October 6, 1999 Office Action was due January 6, 2000. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time from January 6, 2000 to April 6, 2000. Applicants have previously established small entity status and it is still applicable. The required fee for a three-month extension of time is \$435.00 for a small entity and a check in that amount is enclosed. Accordingly, a response to the October 6, 2000 Office Action, with a three-month extension of time, is now due April 6, 2000 and this response is timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**In the Abstract**

Page 32, lines 34-38, delete "The homology models may be used in target selection, drug design, or design of more appropriate constructs for experimental analysis. The ensemble of all known structures is used to further advance the effectiveness of the